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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- (Currently amended) A method for producing medicaments in the form of a
 coated tablet comprising vardenafil hydrochloride trihydrate and one or more
 excipients in solid form, said method comprising the steps of
 - a) employing providing a tablet containing vardenafil hydrochloride with any water content plus one or more excipients for producing the medicament,
 - b) converting treating said tablet with a moistened gas for sufficient time to convert at least 90 mol% of the vardenafil hydrochloride substantially into the trihydrate form at an intermediate processing stage or in the final product.; and
 - c) coating said tablet.
- 2. (Currently amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said step of coating characterized in that the coated tablets are produced as medicament is carried out before said treating step.
- 3. (Cancelled)
- 4. (Currently amended) The method as claimed in claim 3_1, eharacterized in that wherein air is employed as the moistened gas.
- (Currently amended) The method as claimed in claims 3 or 4, characterized in that wherein the moistened gas employed has a relative humidity of from 35% to 100%.
- 6. (Withdrawn) A medicament obtainable by the method as claimed in claim 1.
- 7. (Cancelled)
- 8. (Withdrawn-currently amended) A medicament as claimed in claim 6 for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of sexual dysfunctions.

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9. (Withdrawn-currently amended) A medicament as claimed in claim 6 for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of erectile dysfunction.

10. (Withdrawn-currently amended) A method for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of erectile dysfunction comprising administering to a subject an effective amount of the medicament of claim 6.

11. – 13. (Cancelled)

- 14. (Currently amended) A method for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of erectile dysfunction comprising administering to a subject an effective amount of the coated tablet made by the method of claim 7_1.
- 15. (Currently amended) A method for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of sexual dysfunctions comprising administering to a subject an effective amount of the coated tablet made by the method of claim 7_1.
- 16. (Withdrawn-currently amended) A method for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of sexual dysfunction comprising administering to a subject an effective amount of the medicament of claim 6.
- 17. (New) The method of claim 5, wherein the moistened gas has a relative humidity of from 50% to 99%.
- 18. (New) The method of claim 5, wherein said tablet is treated with the moistened gas for from 0.5 hours to 6 months.
- 19 (New) The method of claim 5, wherein said tablet is treated with the moistened gas at temperatures of 16 to 30 °C.